

From: Freedom of Information Requests

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To:

Subject: FOI Response -

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 22 July 2025 for information about funded transport. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

1. The total number of children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23.

Response: 949 children and young people.

2. The total overall cost of this:

Response: £5,843,746.33.

3. The number of SEND children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23

Response: During the 2022/2023 financial year, City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for approximately 920 children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The council's home to school transport records for 2022/2023 track only the assigned routes, not individual ages. As a result, the reported figure of 949 funded passengers spans everyone registered on each route, from children under 16, 16 to 18 year olds, and those aged 19 to 25.

4. The total cost of this (just SEND):

Response: £5,090,557.00.

5. The total number of children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2023/24

Response: 924 children and young people.

a. The total cost of this

Response: £5,843,746.33.

6. The number of SEND children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2023/24

Response: During the 2023/2024 financial year, City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for approximately 932 children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The council's home to school transport records for 2023/2024 track only the assigned routes, not individual ages. As a result, the reported figure of 949 funded passengers spans everyone registered on each route, from children under 16, 16 to 18 year olds, and those aged 19 to 25.

7. The total cost of this (just SEND)

Response: £5,671,329.00.

8. The total number of children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2024/25

Response: 975 children and young people.

9. The total overall cost of this:

Response: £6,416,408.64.

10. The number of SEND children and young adults that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2024/25

Response: During the 2024/2025 financial year, City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for approximately 955 children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Of the 975, 760 were under 16, 122 were between 16 and 18 and 73 were between 19 and 25.

11. The total cost of this (just SEND):

Response: £5,700,656.00.

12. I would also like to know the highest daily cost of home-to-school transport recorded for any SEND individual in the financial year 2022/23.

Response: £390.00.

a. The distance travelled for that journey:

Response: Daily total of around 9.4 miles

b. Mode of travel:

Response: Transport for this route was provided using a private hire taxi service.

c. How many times a week (on average) they make this trip:

Response: Ten times per week

d. Any other information you can provide about the trip: (i.e. who was travelling, how many vehicles etc)

Response: Each journey on this route accommodated five individuals: three passengers, the driver, and a passenger assistant.

13. I would like to know the highest daily cost of home-to-school transport recorded for any SEN individual in the financial year 2023/24.

Response: £488.60.

a. The distance travelled for that journey:

Response: Daily total of around 66.6 miles.

b. Mode of travel:

Response: Transport for this route was provided using a private hire taxi service.

c. How many times a week (on average) they make the same trip:

Response: Six times per week

d. Any other information you can provide about the trip: (ie who was travelling, how many vehicles etc)

Response: Each journey on this route accommodated three individuals: one passenger, the driver, and a passenger assistant.

14. I would like to know the highest daily cost of home-to-school transport recorded for any SEN individual in the financial year 2024/25.

a. The distance travelled for that journey:

b. Mode of travel:

c. How many times a week (on average) they make the same trip:

d. Any other information you can provide about the trip: (ie who was travelling, how many vehicles etc)

Response: As per question 13.

15. A list of taxi firms that you use to supply services.

Response:

Supplier Name
Amvale Medical Transport Ltd
Metro Cabs
Pro Ride Transfers
Alfa Mini cabs
Golden Seven Cabs Ltd
Acura
S24 Travel
Ucab
KC Cabs
Alliance Transfer Service
Doncaster Community Transport
Thorne Hire Cars
DP Travel
Ky's Karz
Yourcabs
Ward Transportation Ltd
Absolute Cabs
AA CABS
Adwick Private Hire
AK786 Cabs
NGS Travel Ltd
Donny Cabs Limited
Kaife Qader
HFA Travel Ltd
24x7 Ltd
Fona-Car
Call and Ride Ltd
Dial-a-Cab Rotherham Ltd
SM Travel Yorkshire Ltd
Active Response Transport Ltd
Advanced Travel
Pegasus Taxis

I hope that this information is useful to you.

The City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £400 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

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Yours faithfully,

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